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SUBJECT: "PRG" LIAISON OFFICE GENEVA

REF: SAIGON 15857

1. CLOSE AND TIMELY EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION AND VIEWS HAVE, WE BELIEVE, CHARACTERIZED SVN/US MISSION RELATIONS AT GENEVA ON ALL PRG MATTERS, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY THE ISSUE OF ATTEMPTED ESTABLISHMENTS PRG OFFICE HERE. EMBASSY SAIGON MAY WISH REASSURE MFA THAT MISSIONS CONTINUE WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER, AND POINT OUT THAT APPARENT AND PERHAPS UNDERSTANDABLE RELUCTANCE OF BOTH SWISS AND UN OFFICIALS AT GENEVA TO REVEAL FULL EXTENT OF ACTIONS DECIDED OR COMTERMPLATED BY THEIR PRINCIPALS AT NEW YORK OR BERN ON PRG OFFICE ISSUE HAS REQUIRED REPEATED COORDINATION APPROACHES BY BOTH U.S. AND SVN MISSIONS TO EXTRACT THE INFORMATION WE HAVE SO FAR BEEN ABLE TO SECURE.

2. BOTH U.S. AND SVN MISSIONS CONSIDER THAT WIN-SPEARE, FOR EXAMPLE, HAS MADE IT CLEAR HE ACTING UNDER STANDING INSTRUCTIONS, ISSUED EARLY NOVEMBER BY UN SYG, TO WORK OUT ARRANGEMENTS FOR ESTABLISHMENT PRG OFFICE GENEVA. GOS AMB DOMINICE CLAIMS THAT SWISS FOR THEIR PART HAVE ANSWERED THE SECRET

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HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION AS TO WHAT THEY COULD DO IF

UN DECIDED TO REQUEST OPENING PRG OFFICE HERE. BUT BOTH HAVE STATED THAT THEY ARE ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE UN OR FROM BERN, IMPLYING CLEARLY THAT THE DECISIONS ARE MADE ELSEWHERE.

3. MISSION, OF COURSE, PREPARED TO TRANSMIT MESSAGES TO GVN FROM VAN LOI THROUGH OUR CHANNLES IF HE SO REQUESTS AND THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES. TO DATE VAN LOI HAS NOT INDICATED THAT TECHNICAL FACTORS HAVE IMPEDED TIMELY COMMUNICATIONS WITH HIS CAPITAL. DALE

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